GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:497
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MISUSE OF STD / ISD CALLS .
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether senior officers of Department of Telecommunications in connivance with some private persons had given free STD/ISD facilities to a STD/ISD booths and to a few workshops;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the officers of Boisar Telephone Centre of Thane District in Maharashtra has been arrested along with four others in connection with a scandal of STD/ISD calls;

(d) the total loss suffered by the department of Telecommunication as a result thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government against the persons found guilty?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)
(a) & (b)Incidents have been reported wherein misuse of STD/ISDfacilities have been noticed in different parts of the country. Involvement of the departmental officers if any, is promptly investigated and due action taken in such cases.
(c) No arrest has been made in Boisar (Tarapur) in Thane Distt.
(d) & (e) Investigations have been entrusted to CBI, however, it is difficult to ascertain loss in such cases.Four officials have been suspended and two security guards have been removed from service.